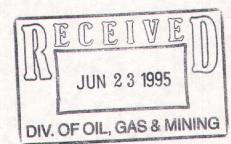




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William Bown Preston Bown 842 West 400 North West Bountiful, Utah 84087

Dear Bill and Preston,

On June 13 I made a joint inspection of the Dove Creek quarry with Lynn Kunzler of the Utah Div. of Oil, Gas and Mining and Randy Wilde of the Bear River Health Dept.

As you should already know by a letter from the Div. of Oil, Gas and Mining, under Utah regulations the Dove Creek quarry is consider a large mining operation (over 5 acres) and requires a much more complete Plan of Operation. I have reviewed the present POO (1990) on file for the Dove Creek quarry and it is not accurate for the operations that are now going on in the quarry. A new proposed POO needs to be submitted as soon as possible. Remember that with this new POO an environmental analysis (EA) will be necessary. Under current Law and Regulation this EA can take 180 or more days to complete. We need to schedule a date to discuss under what conditions the quarry operations at Dove Creek may allowed to continue for the 1995 season.

I noticed that trackhoe (Old Leaky) was still on site and still has an extreme hydraulic leak. Several areas on the ground have been stained and possibly contaminated with hydraulic fluid. You should know that spilt petroleum products are considered hazardous waste under the Clean Water Act and may be subject to remediation (removal to an approved land fill). Randy Wilde took a soil sample; this should give a good indication of the corrective actions needed.

Randy Wilde visited the quarry to inspect the conditions at the labor camp. The camp does not comply with Utah regulations for labor camp. You need to contact him to obtain the specifics of the situation. The short of the situation is that camps as used in the past can not continue. Contact Randy at the Bear River Health Dept. at 125 South First West in Tremonton, Utah 84337. His phone is 801 257 3318. The new POO that you submit needs to include camp specifications that will comply with Utah regulations.

When you submit a new POO for Dove Creek, remember to include all of the points that we have been going back and forth about on the Lynn Springs quarry POO. If you have any questions, give me a call.

Sincerely

Gordon Struthers

Minerals Management Specialist

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Lynn Kunzler, DOGM Randy Wilde, Health Dept.

